

LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Sheriff Mark C. Curran, Jr.

ANNUAL REPORT

2007 - 2008

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve as your Lake County Sheriff and to be able to present to you the Lake County Sheriff's Office 2007-2008 Annual Report. Throughout the following pages, I hope to provide a window into an office that is completely committed to excellence and quality of service to the citizens of Lake County. This strong commitment, both in the vast services we provide and the core belief that our employees are our most valuable resources, has been central to the Sheriff's Office success.

Our Highway Patrol Division can be proud of the job they have done in patrolling the approximately 470 square miles of Lake County, IL. This division, which operates 24 hours a day and 365 days a year, has been busy and productive. The number of DUI (Driving under the Influence) arrests as well as the number of tickets written has consistently increased: in 2006 the department made 291 DUI arrests and wrote 20,612 tickets; in 2007 the department made 363 DUI arrests and wrote 27,183 tickets; and in 2008 the department made 399 DUI arrests and wrote 30,937 tickets. The department has been able to improve every year even without an increase in manpower through tactics like directed patrols where high crime areas are targeted.

Our Warrants Division has been hard at work as well. In 2008 we served an all time high number of warrants, with 4,750 having been served, up from the previous high of 4,394 in 2006. There are currently 18,195 warrants on hand, although very few of these warrants were originated by the Lake County Sheriff's Office. We have requested an increase in manpower for the Warrants Division every year, however due to budgetary constraints the county has not been able to give us additional Deputies. We have made numerous changes in the handling of warrants, due to the realization that we do not have the manpower to serve all of these warrants, as well as the simple fact that the department of origin should have the best information on the warrant suspect that victimized the people and businesses in their town. These changes include: (1) In January 2008 we began to send a bi-monthly report by electronic email to every police department in Lake County. This report identifies the outstanding warrants that were originated by their department. The email reports were further broken down for the departments of Lake County with information detailing the severity of the offense and the last known address of the warrant suspect. This helps the individual department prioritize which warrants are most important. (2) Our department initiated 6 warrant sweeps county-wide in 2008 as well as several more involving smaller targeted areas. These sweeps have been conducted in conjunction with numerous local, state and federal agencies. (3) Our Highway Patrol Division is now given a daily warrants intelligence report regarding possible un-served warrants

in their individual patrol districts. Highway Patrol command has been given the responsibility of making sure that officers on their shift are actively serving warrants if they are not busy with other activities. (See the Warrants chapter of the annual report regarding other ways this division of only five officers is keeping Lake County safe, including the 10 most wanted gang member list designed to rid Lake County of our least desirable and most dangerous citizens.)

Our Civil Process Division has been busy with the downturn in the economy. The division served 15,040 orders in 2006, 15,668 in 2007, and 15,965 in 2008. The largest increase has been in evictions, which in addition to being stressful for the officer and the prior tenant, evictions are also time consuming. The Civil Process Division has also served 12,549 subpoenas for the States Attorneys Office in 2008.

Our Criminal Investigations Division has benefited from the creation of the Special Operations Group in 2008. The group was created to provide adequate public safety in response to larger gatherings where crowd control becomes an issue. The need for this unit was evident during the demonstrations by Jesse Jackson in 2007 and 2008 as well as the Immigration and Nationality Act-287(g) rally in Waukegan. The Criminal Investigations Division has been better than words can describe in solving every major case over the past couple of years.

On the Homeland Security front our department has been recognized on the national level as one of the premier law enforcement agencies in the country. We have been recognized on numerous occasions for our partnership with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) as we have worked together in deporting illegal immigrants that have committed serious crimes. We have also requested and always assisted ICE on warrants sweeps. We have helped develop plans for any and all possible emergencies including terrorist attacks and pandemics. We were also able to achieve a \$1 million federal grant, known as the Public Safety Interoperability Communications Grant (PSIC).

Our Marine Unit continues to keep the water safe, especially in 2008 where they were called upon to assist with the numerous high water situations.

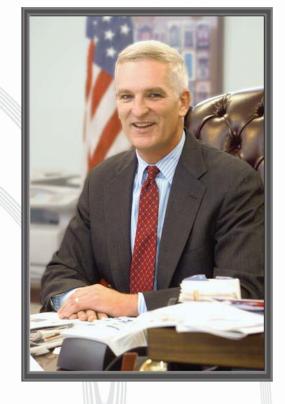
Our Jail has been a model of excellence. We are truly committed to seeing the inmates rehabilitated to the fullest extent possible. I spent a week in the Lake County Jail in 2008 to draw attention to the programming in the Lake County Jail as well as to honor the approximately 500 volunteers. I hoped to see changes made on the state and national level recognizing the fact that anybody could be incarcerated. (It is

estimated that approximately 1 in 100 Americans is currently incarcerated and as many as 1 in 15 Americans may be incarcerated at some point in their life.) My week in jail was said to have inspired many people around the world. Our jail has substantially increased the number of volunteers over the last couple of years by going into the churches and communities and recruiting volunteers. We have also offered numerous new programs including the following implemented in 2008: fatherhood classes, computer classes, 'read to me' literacy program and cognitive behavior classes. All of these classes were added without increasing the cost to the County. Our jail is truly a model of excellence.

We have been as fiscally responsible as possible with the taxpayer's dollars. Our budget was approximately \$51 million in 2007 and increased to \$54 million in 2008 and increased to \$59 million in 2009. Our budget increases approximately 7 percent per year based on wages (including pension obligations) and contractual increases. The nature of the yearly increases is evidenced by the fact that the 2009 budget is a status quo budget with no new programs. Our Department had \$4,973,810 in revenues in 2006 and increased to \$5,310,137 in 2007. Our revenues for 2008 have not been finalized at the time of this report however they are expected to increase over the 2007 numbers. Further evidence of our fiscal responsibility can be seen as the percentage of overtime in our budget has dropped every year from 7 percent in 2006 to 6 percent in 2007 and 5 percent in 2008. As we look at difficult economic times in the near future we will do our part to continue to make Lake County one of the most financially solvent counties in the nation by adhering to county regulations and finding the best possible value for needed goods and services.

Finally, the state of the Lake County Sheriff's Office is excellent. I have been blessed with the pleasure of serving the people of this terrific county and working with some of the finest men and women this country has to offer. Hence, because I recognize the magnitude of these responsibilities, I will continue to do my best to serve and protect this wonderful county.

Sheriff Mark C. Curran, Jr. is a graduate of Spring Hill College in Mobile, Alabama with a degree in Business Administration and from IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law with a Juris Doctor in Law. Sheriff Curran began his law enforcement career working as an intern in the Cook County States Attorneys Office in 1988 and the Lake County States Attorneys Office shortly thereafter. Sheriff Curran became an Assistant Lake County States Attorney in 1990 and left the Lake County States Attorneys Office in 1998 after having served as a Senior Felony Prosecutor responsible for handling many high profile cases.



Sheriff Curran worked for the Illinois Attorney General's Office from 1998 until 2002 where he was a Supervisor of Gang Crimes among

many other responsibilities. Sheriff Curran was also a Special Assistant United States Attorney from 1999 until 2002. Sheriff Curran has taught well over 100 semester hours at Columbia College of Missouri in Business Law and Criminal Justice. Sheriff Curran is a graduate of the Career Prosecutor Academy in Houston, Texas and the Suburban Law Enforcement Police Academy in DuPage County, Illinois. Sheriff Curran was a highly respected litigator in private practice of Law from 2002 until 2006 as he received an AV rating from Martindale Hubbell, which is the highest possible rating in ethics and ability. Sheriff Curran was also selected by the Publication "Super Lawyers" as one of the top lawyers in the State of Illinois in 2006.

The Sheriff is the Chief Law Enforcement Officer in the county and has the responsibility of overseeing the largest law enforcement agency in the county.

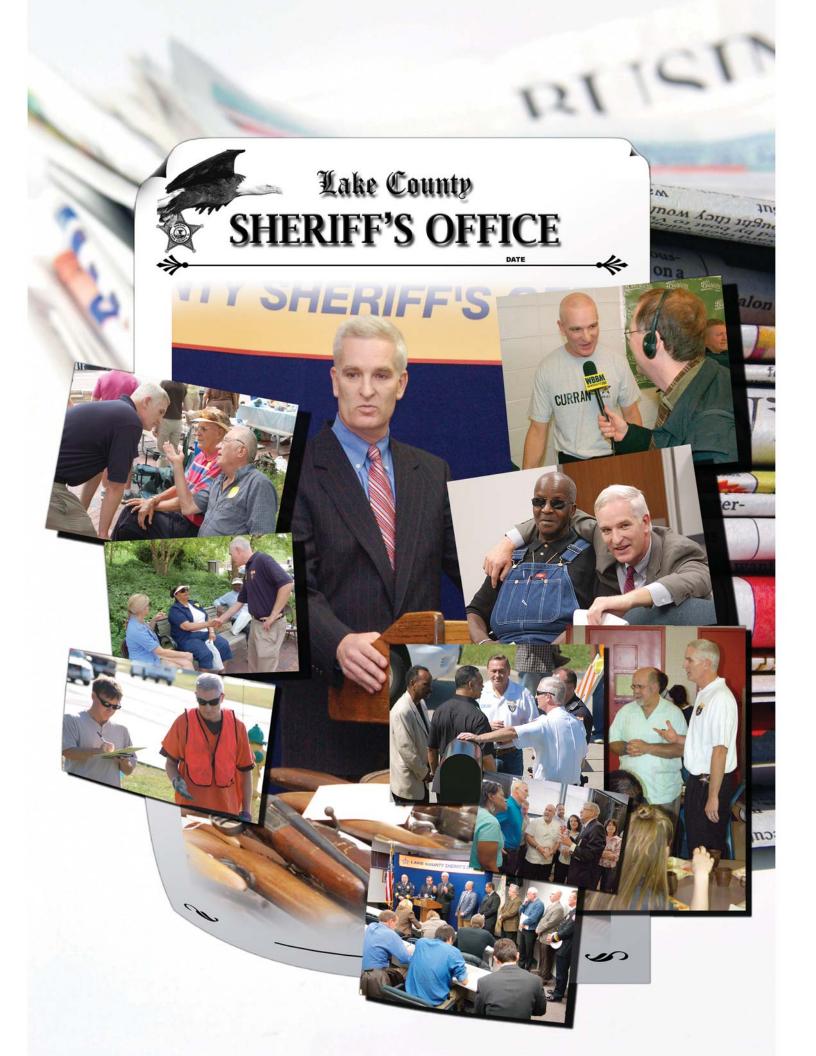
Sheriff Curran is charged with the responsibility of enforcing the laws of the United States, the State of Illinois and county ordinances that are applicable to the unincorporated areas of Lake County, IL. The Sheriff staffs and maintains the County Correctional Facility and provides Court Security within the courtrooms of the 19th Judicial Circuit. The Sheriff's Marine Unit serves and protects Lake Michigan and the other lakes in Lake County, IL. Additionally, the Sheriff's responsibilities include the service of all summons, subpoenas and warrants issued by the court.

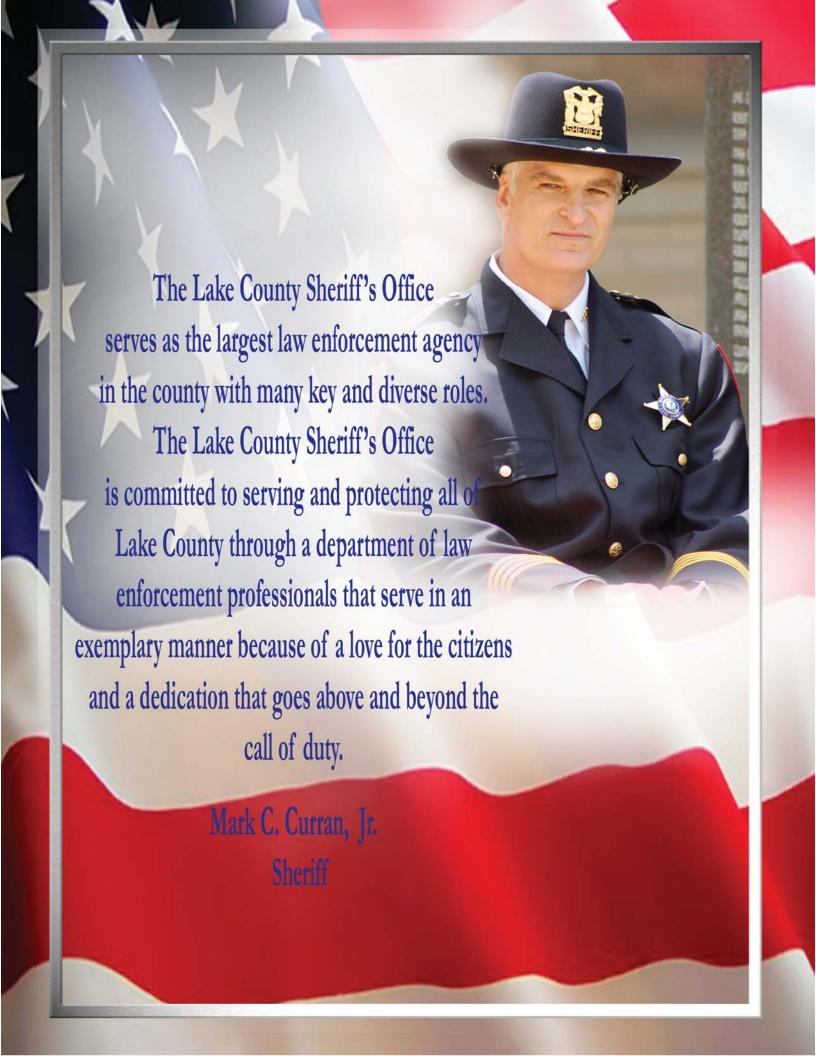
Although the Sheriff has authority to enforce laws within the entire county, including individual municipalities and villages, because of policy and professional courtesy, the Sheriff's Office does not do so, unless requested by a federal, state or local police agency.

The Sheriff reports directly to the Lake County Board of Commissioners. He performs his duties with the manpower and equipment allocated to him through an annual budget of approximately \$59 million. His responsibilities include the supervision of 472 full-time employees and 53 part-time employees, of whom 188 full-time and 50 part-time employees are sworn deputy sheriffs.

The duties and responsibilities of the Sheriff are diverse and specialized. Therefore, the Sheriff's Office is divided into numerous organizational divisions and specialized units to most effectively and efficiently carry out our mission.

The following report provides a brief description of these various divisions and units, as well as a summary of their statistics for 2007 - 2008.







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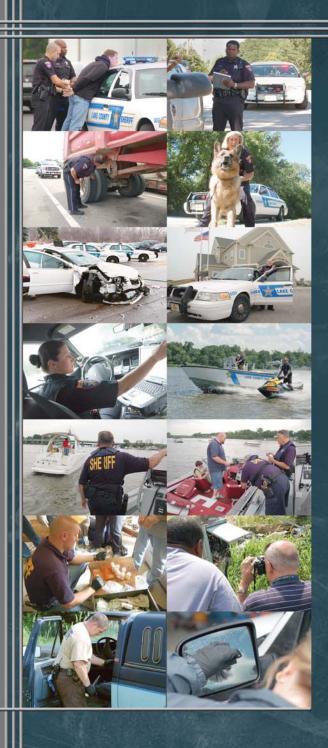
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OPERATIONS



The mission of the Operations Branch of the Sheriff's Office is to provide first responder police services to emergency situations, investigate incidents of criminal activity, identify and apprehend offenders of crime and maintain order within our community. The Operations Branch consists of the Highway Patrol, Criminal Investigations, 911 Communications, Major Crime Task Force, the Marine Unit and Emergency Management.

HIGHWAY PATROL DIVISION

The Highway Patrol Division prides itself on quick response and ability to provide the highest level of law enforcement service to all residents of unincorporated Lake County and seven contractual municipalities.

Lake County is approximately 470 square miles in size and contains 52 incorporated municipalities in 18 townships. U.S. Census Bureau figures for the year 2007 places the population of the County at 710,241 which is a 10.2% increase from the year 2000 when the population was 644,356. The Highway Patrol's primary responsibility is to provide law enforcement service for the 125,080 residents of unincorporated Lake County, along with 35,000 residents within municipalities that do not have their own dedicated police departments.

Due to the sizeable geographic area and vast population, the Highway Patrol Division patrols five dedicated districts, utilizing three overlapping shifts. Because the duties of Highway Patrol are so diverse and require specialized expertise, a number of special units have been implemented to accomplish the Sheriff's Office mission. These units include; Accident Investigation, Traffic Enforcement, Evidence Technicians, K-9, Motorcycle Patrol and Tactical Response Team.

In 2007, the Highway Patrol Division responded to 176,928 calls for service, which included 5,843 motor vehicle crashes, 947 reports of a DUI driver and issued 29,039 total citations. In 2008 the calls for service were up 12% to 198,768. There were 5,919 motor vehicle crashes, 1,298 reports of a DUI driver and 33,275 total citations were issued.

With increases in some statistics, the Highway Patrol saw a drastic reduction in fatal traffic crashes for 2008. Nine lives were lost in eight crashes for 2008 compared to nineteen lives lost in seventeen crashes for 2007. Several factors influenced this reduction. The Directed Patrol Program, which came into existence in 2007, is assigned to specific target areas with a concentration on DUI's. This, along with Lake County's pro-active approach to DUI Awareness, contributed to this reduction.



CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

The Lake County Sheriff's Office provides comprehensive investigative services to the community through the Criminal Investigations Division (CID). In order to provide this service, this Division is comprised of experienced personnel specially trained in the various fields of police investigations. Personnel are assigned to sub-units with the Division that correspond within their area of expertise and specialization.

Detectives assigned to the General Investigations Unit are charged with the task of bringing each assigned incident or 'case' to closure. This is accomplished through the identification, evaluation, collection and documentation of the case facts and evidence specific to each incident.

The Juvenile Investigations Unit is charged with the same tasks as the detectives in General Investigations but their cases involve incidents where a juvenile is identified or suspected as the violator. In addition, the Juvenile Detective investigates those instances of child neglect and abuse, as well as missing and runaway juveniles.

Along with these Units, Criminal Investigations has a School Resource Officer assigned to the Special Education District of Lake County (SEDOL). The SEDOL campus consists of Cyd Lash Academy, Gages Lake School and Laremont School. A Detective is also assigned to the Lake County Children's Advocacy Center which focuses on the sexual or physical abuse of juveniles as perpetrated by a person in a caretaker position.

Two civilian employees act in the capacity of the Evidence and Property Control for the Sheriff's Office. The value given to physical evidence in the judicial process and the advanced ability of forensic laboratories to analyze physical evidence have increased the responsibilities of law enforcement in the area of crime scene investigation and the subsequent handling of forensic and physical evidence. Once a crime scene has been processed and items of evidence have been collected, they must be properly preserved, processed and retained until proper disposition can be made.

Shortly after Sheriff Mark Curran took office, he formed the Lake County Sheriff's Office School Safety Team. "The Sheriff's Office wants to be an integral part in helping to secure the safety of our communities' schools through preparation, prevention, education and communication."- Sheriff Mark Curran. With his commitment to protecting our schools, a new school

safety unit was established to work directly with school administrators in solving the unique problems that each district faces.

In April of 2008, Sheriff Curran also saw the need for a unit specifically trained in riot and crowd control. From this, the Special Operations Group (S.O.G.) was formed. This unit is equipped with the latest in riot control equipment, state-of-the-art uniforms designed for protection in riot situations and Deputies certified in less lethal techniques. During actual events, S.O.G. works closely with the Lake County Jail Transport Team and the Sheriff's Office Tactical Response Team.

METROPOLITAN ENFORCEMENT GROUP

The Lake County Sheriff's Office participates in the Metropolitan Enforcement Group by dedicating two full-time employees in this unit. The Lake County Metropolitan Enforcement Group is a Multi-Jurisdictional Law Enforcement Task Force concentrating on illegal drugs, gangs and weapons offenses. This is a county-wide management approach linking local, county, state and federal police agencies to pro-actively fight crime.

MEG offers drug awareness seminars to the public, educational institutions, police departments and businesses.

MAJOR CRIME TASK FORCE

The Lake County Major Crime Task Force was implemented in February of 1992. The Task Force was formed in response to a mutual need for vast investigative resources and expertise to all Lake County law enforcement agencies. The Task Force is comprised of various agencies including the Lake County Sheriff's Office, the Lake County State's Attorney's Office and the Lake County Chiefs of Police Association.

The Task Force is comprised of command personnel, investigators, evidence technicians, crime analysis and representatives from the State's Attorney's Office, the



Coroner's Office and the Northeastern Illinois Regional Crime Lab. These resources are used to investigate such cases as:

- Homicides
- Kidnappings (non-parental)
- Police involved shootings
- Exceptionally heinous crimes
- In-custody deaths

In the past two years, Major Crime Task Force has investigated 37 cases.

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

The 911 Communications Center is located in Libertyville adjacent to the Highway Patrol Headquarters and is the hub of all emergency radio communications and 911 calls for the Sheriff's Office. The Communications Center serves every division within the Sheriff's Office along with Lake County Major Crime Task Force, Lake County Forest Preserve Police and the Lake County Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Agency.

The Communications Division has the capability of communicating information to any state, local or federal police agency throughout the country. This is accomplished with the use of various computer networks such as LEADS (Law Enforcement Automated Data System), NCIC (National Crime Information Center) and IWIN (Illinois Wireless Information Network).

The Communications Division underwent an operational and staffing review in 2007 when Sheriff Mark Curran took office. With these changes the current staff consists of one director, one senior secretary, three shift supervisors, three assistant shift supervisors, twenty one telecommunicators and is operated 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

All telecommunicators are certified under state and federal guidelines and receive continuous training not only to maintain these certifications but to keep up with the ever-changing technologies. New technologies include GEOLINKS and enhanced 911 'Phase 2'. These programs provide state-of-the-art geographic mapping tools, and in most cases, the ability to pinpoint locations of cellular calls.

MARINE UNIT

The mission of the Marine Unit is to enforce State laws, Local and County ordinances and to promote safe boating. To accomplish this mission, the Marine Unit works closely with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, McHenry County Sheriff's Department, the U.S. Coast Guard and the Fox Waterway Agency.

The Marine Unit is staffed with two command officers, fifty part-time Sheriff's Deputies, six part-time communication dispatchers and two maintenance technicians. To perform their duties they have four patrol boats on the Fox Chain of Lakes, two boats for 'Inland' waters and three patrol boats on Lake Michigan.

The duties of the Marine Unit are very diverse which requires additional training. They are trained in the area of OUI enforcement (Operating Under the Influence), evidence and property control, criminal law, boating laws, sound enforcement, CPR and also must complete a boating safety course and U.S. Navy Third Class Swim test.

During the 2008 boating season, the Marine Unit logged over 10,309 hours of service. The three regions the Marine Unit is responsible for patrolling are the Fox River, inland waterways and Lake Michigan. The Fox River is the second busiest inland recreational waterway in the United States. The nine interconnecting lakes provide approximately 6,000 acres of boating waterways. Inland waterways are patrolled by smaller watercraft or PWC's which can be trailered to specific locations and used in areas where the water depth prohibits a standard patrol boat from accessing. Lastly, the Marine Unit is responsible for patrolling 26 miles of shoreline on Lake Michigan, extending to the center of the lake, which is approximately 39 miles from shore. The patrol boats on Lake Michigan, with their sophisticated electronics, provide police coverage and assistance to the recreational boaters.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT/HOMELAND SECURITY AGENCY

In 2007 the Emergency Management Agency (EMA) was restructured from the Lake County Sheriff's Office to the County Administrator's Office. Also that year, the

Homeland Security Agency of the Sheriff's Office was reconstituted and partnered with the Emergency Management Agency to form a unit of county government whose responsibility is preparing for, responding to and managing manmade or natural disasters countywide.

EMA/HSA maintains and updates the county's Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) and coordinates the disaster response of all county resources including communications, police, fire and rescue as well as hospitals, religious and charitable organizations. EMA/HSA works in conjunction with a number of governmental agencies such as the U.S. Coast Guard, Illinois State Police and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Working closely with municipal emergency management teams, EMA/HSA provides planning assistance, resource coordination and public service announcements.

In 2008, the EMA/HSA responded to several major flood events, including one that was declared a state and federal disaster. There were also several significant winter storms, including a record snow in early February that resulted in a federal emergency declaration for the county. During the disasters of 2008, more than 200 volunteers were deployed to provide services to those communities most in need.

RESERVE DEPUTIES

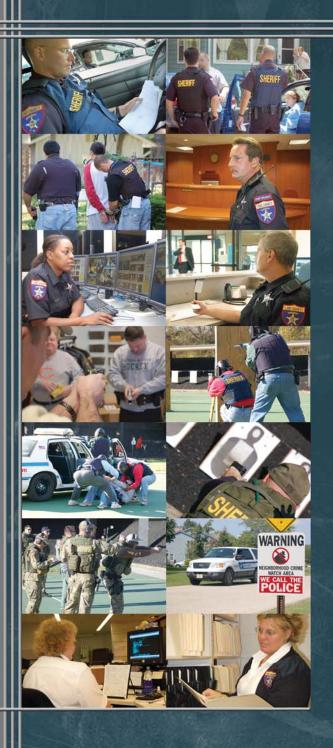
The volunteer Reserve Deputy unit provides supplemental services to the Sheriff's Office. These are special situations requiring additional manpower, such as traffic and crowd control, search and rescue and special traffic details. This Unit was started in the 1970's from a Neighborhood Watch program. Over the years the Unit has continued to grow and develop into an authorized strength of 44 active Reserve Deputies. All new recruits are run through a comprehensive training program to prepare them for a wide variety of assignments. In 2007 and 2008, the Unit donated over 26,757 volunteer hours of service to the Sheriff's Office.

EXPLORER POST

The Lake County Sheriff's Office Law Enforcement Explorer Post is underwritten by the Boy Scouts of America, Career Oriented Scouting Council. The program is open to youth ages 14 to 21 years of age. The Explorer Post offers participants training and practical experience in the area of law enforcement. Instructors from the law enforcement community instruct the Post members in law enforcement procedures. Post members participate in crowd and traffic control details at various Lake County community events and festivals. Fundraising events afford its members an opportunity to attend state and national law enforcement competitions to compete against other law enforcement posts.



ADMINISTRATION



The mission of the Administrative Branch of the Sheriff's Office is to provide support services and training for all personnel, maintain accurate departmental records and complete the statutory responsibilities of providing courtroom security along with the service of criminal warrants and civil process. The Administrative Branch consists of the Records Division, Civil Process, Warrants, Court Security, Training, Crime Prevention, Internal Affairs and the Photo Lab.

CRIMINAL WARRANTS DIVISION

The Sheriff's Office has the constitutional and statutory requirement to enforce criminal warrants directed to them by the Lake County Circuit Court. Once entered into various local, state and national computer systems, these warrants are maintained until the wanted subject is apprehended or a court order is issued directing the cancellation of the criminal warrant. This division is also responsible for the processing of Domestic Violence Orders of Protection issued by the Lake County Circuit Court, as well as courts of other jurisdictions in which the respondent is believed to be residing in Lake County. These orders are assigned to Highway Patrol deputies for service.

The Warrants Division schedules and executes the extradition of fugitives wanted on Lake County warrants whom are apprehended by other police agencies throughout the United States. This division also schedules the transportation of subjects named in a Writ. These are subjects wanted by the Lake County Circuit Court who are currently serving a prison sentence in another jurisdiction.

When Sheriff Mark Curran came into office in December 2006, he recognized the severity of the number of active warrants on hand and the threat these fugitives pose to public safety. He immediately doubled the number of warrant investigators and equipped them with covert vehicles and plain clothes. This allows greater access to wanted subjects and reduces the opportunity for fugitives to flee upon the officer's approach.

During the past two years, the Warrants Division has conducted six multijurisdictional warrant apprehension sweeps. Officers from Federal, State, County and Local law enforcement come together to concentrate investigative and enforcement efforts in seeking out and apprehending wanted fugitives. Additionally, warrant officers routinely work with local municipal police departments in combining efforts in the service of outstanding local warrants.

With the implementation of the VisionAIR Records Management System, a Warrant Intelligence Report was created. This report details viable information used to assist officers in determining the whereabouts of wanted subjects. During a six month

period of 2008, a total of 311 intelligence reports were assigned to the patrol division. Utilizing the information provided, patrol deputies attempted service of the outstanding warrants. These service attempts resulted in a 47% successful service rate of the apprehension attempted.

An automated email warrant notification report was also made possible through the VisionAIR software. This report lists all active warrants and has the ability to sort these files by last known address, as well as the originating agency that conducted the initial arrest. Currently, this electronic notification is shared among 28 Lake County police agencies; providing them with up-to-date intelligence needed to locate and apprehend wanted subjects in their respective jurisdictions.

The Warrants Division continually works with the Lake County States Attorney's Office in reviewing outdated and unserviceable warrants. Warrants identified through this process will be quashed (dismissed in court) to reduce the back-log of old, non-prosecutable cases still on the books.

On March 24, 2008 Sheriff Curran, in conjunction with U.S. Congressman Mark Kirk, established the *Lake County 10 Most Wanted Gang Member*' listing to help keep our communities a safer place to live. Since the inception of this listing, 17 gang members wanted on serious crimes have been located and brought to justice.

In addition to the service of criminal warrants, the Warrants Division also seeks out and brings to justice subjects wanted on civil body attachments for non-payment of child support. These cases involve parents who have become delinquent in court ordered child support. Our deputies have a close working relationship with the States Attorney's Office Child Support Division. Investigators from both agencies routinely work side by side in conducting investigations into the whereabouts of these subjects and then combine enforcement efforts in the apprehension of *Dead Beat Parents*. This close relationship has produced a very high success rate in the service of child support related body attachments.

CIVIL PROCESS DIVISION

Deputies assigned to the Civil Process Division act as the administrative arm of the court to fulfill the Sheriff's statutory responsibilities to serve all civil papers directed to him. Civil Process consists of the service of writs, summons, subpoenas, civil warrants and various court orders. Deputies assigned to this division are responsible for executing writs of replevin (an order to recover goods wrongfully taken by another), orders of judgment (debt resulting from a court order) and levies on goods and real estate.

This division also performs court-ordered evictions, conducts mortgage foreclosure sales, Sheriff's sales and issues tax deed notices. The current

economy has seen an increase in foreclosure sales and non-payment of rent that has resulted in an increase in our eviction of 25% over the past three years. As the number of evictions rise, a back-log is created which exceeds our manpower allocation in the enforcement of these court orders. To combat this workload demand and facilitate enforcement of eviction orders, Sheriff Curran implemented an *Eviction Sweep Program*. This program allows for the enforcement of 50 evictions to be conducted in one day. This is accomplished by utilizing officers from other divisions who are paid on a hire back situation, funded by service fees collected from the landlords and banks. Over the past two years, this division conducted eight (8) eviction sweeps resulting in the enforcement of 400 additional evictions.

COURT SECURITY

The Court Security Division is responsible for providing a safe courthouse environment for the judges, attorneys, court personnel and the general public. In conjunction with Court Security, Andy Frain, a private security firm, provides entrance security screening. The responsibilities of the Court Security Division include protecting the judges, safe-guarding juries, maintaining decorum in the courtrooms and executing all lawful orders and instructions of the court.

In the last two years, Court Security has made technological advances in their monitoring system. Additional surveillance cameras have been added in public areas of the County Building and new screening equipment is in place.

Court Security has worked very closely with the Training Division to bring added training to their personnel. Seven additional Court Officers have completed the 40 hour State Certified "Introduction to Court Security". Other training and certifications are First Aid, CPR, AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) and Rapid Response Training.

CRIME PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES DIVISION



The prevention of crime is the primary role and goal of all law enforcement agencies. It is when crimes are prevented from occurring that society is best served. The term "crime prevention" applies to the before-the-fact efforts or measures that remove and/or reduce criminal opportunity.

The mission of the Crime Prevention Division is to educate individuals in ways they can help prevent crime and work with law enforcement by providing them with crime prevention strategies and techniques. A well informed, safety-minded public reduces criminal victimization and improves the quality of life. This mission is accomplished through public speaking engagements, crime prevention programs, safety displays and the dissemination of safety materials throughout our community.

RECORDS DIVISION

The Records Division provides key resources for the Sheriff's Office as a clearinghouse of information. All records and reports generated by Sheriff's Office personnel are archived in the Records Division and the information contained in those reports is entered into a database for retrieval and analysis. The Records Division compiles this information to comply with State and Federal Reporting mandates, as well as crime analysis, which aids in identifying crime trends and the identification of offenders involved in criminal acts. Additionally, the Records Division provides accident statistical analysis for enforcement activities and provides statistical information to local government and engineering firms for roadway construction planning. Services for the public include fingerprinting, visa letters, criminal background checks and access to reports.

In 2003, the Illinois Legislature mandated that all police offices report to the Illinois Department of Transportation information from discretionary traffic stops including the ethnicity of the occupants. The data is then analyzed by Northwestern University and compared to the demographic breakdown of the community. This study ensures that the drivers being stopped, arrested and searched are consistent with the make up of the community. The Records Division is responsible for compiling this information to ensure compliance by the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

The Records Division staff is responsible for maintaining the sex offender registration files and Lake County Sheriff's sex offender website. They also mail quarterly lists of the sex offenders registered in Lake County to the schools and daycare facilities located throughout the County.



PHOTOGRAPHY LAB

The Photography Lab has gone through a major renovation of photo equipment since Sheriff Mark Curran took office. Old, out-of-date equipment has been replaced with new high tech digital equipment. Along with a high speed film processor, digital print processor and scanning equipment, computers with cutting edge digital technology have been added for video and image analysis.

When called upon, the Photography Lab provides support to other County departments and agencies that require special photographic assistance. The Photography Lab supports the States Attorney's Office, the Coroner's Office, the Child Advocacy Center and the Lake County Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Group.

The Sheriff's Office maintains the highest standards of confidentiality of its photographic material due to the sometimes highly graphic and sensitive nature of this material.

TRAINING

The Lake County Sheriff's Office provides quality training for its employees to enable them to provide quality service to the public. This high level training is provided by nationally renowned instructors as well as certified in-house instructors. This ongoing training covers all State mandated courses and certifications. The Sheriff's Office has a state-of-the-art firearms range located in Russell, Illinois. This range is utilized by the Sheriff's Office, as well as other Lake County police agencies.

In the past two years, the Sheriff's Office has certified all Deputy and Corrections Staff in First Aid, CPR and the operation of Automatic External Defibrillators. As part of this project, the Sheriff's Office has obtained eighty five AED units for its first responders and various facilities.

All Deputy personnel are trained in Rapid Response Deployment which facilitates an organized and well-trained response to any critical incidents which may occur at a school or business in Lake County.



The Sheriff's Office expanded its Taser Program and has equipped its Deputy personnel with Tasers. This is another tool the Deputies can use, classified as 'less lethal', to control a combative subject. Currently, the Sheriff's Office has 137 Tasers deployed to its various divisions.

INTERNAL AFFAIRS

The Internal Affairs Division serves as the investigative component of the Sheriff's Office Administrative Division. Members of the Sheriff's Office assigned to this division strive to receive and investigate all complaints related to internal discipline. These investigations must be conducted in a manner which will assure the community that prompt corrective action will be taken if members of the Sheriff's Office conduct themselves improperly. The investigative efforts of Internal Affairs also serve to protect members of the Sheriff's Office from unwarranted criticism pursuant to the performance of their official duties.

In 2007, ten internal investigations were opened compared to nine investigations in 2008. These incidents were classified as either sustained, not sustained or unfounded.

All complaints relating to inadequate police service or allegations lodged against members of the Lake County Sheriff's Office, not investigated by Internal Affairs, are normally investigated at the line supervisory level.

MEDIA RELATIONS

Sheriff Curran works closely with a full-time Public Information Officer when dealing with the media. The PIO is responsible for daily contact with the media, preparing and sending out relevant media releases and coordinating all media events, including media conferences.

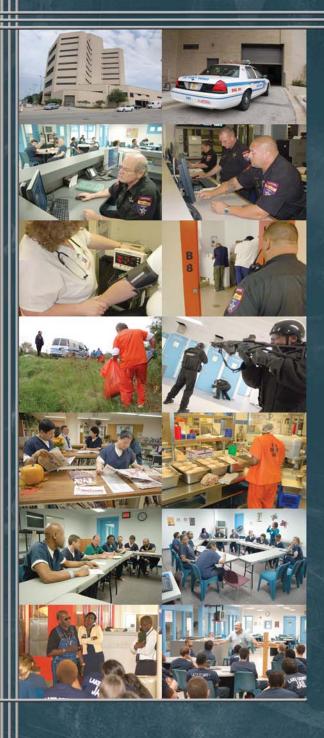
Early in 2007, Sheriff Curran began hosting quarterly media round-table meetings with local reporters. The round-tables were created in order to facilitate an open and honest relationship with the media and to help them better understand how the Sheriff's Office operates on a daily basis. Sheriff's Office staff and members of the media are now able to recognize each other's needs on a more consistent level.

The Public Information Officer can be reached at 847-377-4070.





CORRECTIONS



The mission of the Lake County Jail is to provide the highest level of public safety services in partnership with our communities. The Lake County Jail takes great pride in the safe and secure environment it provides for its staff and inmates, while exceeding all constitutional requirements and Illinois Jail Standards.

CORRECTIONS

The Lake County Sheriff's Adult Correctional Division opened March 10, 1989, and is currently operated under the direction of Sheriff Curran and his management team. The Adult Correctional Division has housing for 720 detainees and has an average daily population of 634.6 inmates. According to Illinois law, an inmate may be sentenced to a county jail for no more then 364 days.

Community Based Correctional Center

The Community Based Correctional Center (CBCC) is a sentencing alternative that allows for sentenced offenders to maintain employment while serving a sentence imposed by the courts. Commonly, these sentenced offenders are non-violent and have demonstrated the ability to function within society while remaining under supervision of the Correctional staff. The benefits of this program allow for offenders to receive extensive counseling, continue employment and complete their required sentence at the same time.

The CBCC has housing for 150 residents. During 2008, the CBCC had an average of 93 residents sentenced to Periodic Imprisonment or Work Release. These inmates are held financially responsible for the cost of this program and generated \$255,907 in room and board fees in 2008.

The CBCC encompasses the Electronic Monitoring or Home Detention Program which also generates revenues for Lake County. In 2008, there was a average population count of 164 individuals sentenced to Electronic Monitoring and payments made totaled \$327,411.

Prisoner Transports/Internal and External

The Correctional Division Staff is responsible for transporting detainees to and from required court appearances both within and outside of county jurisdiction. During 2008, 15,950 individual transports were completed for the purpose of court appearances. One thousand nineteen inmates were transported to the Illinois

Department of Corrections in order to serve sentences handed down by the Lake County Courts and 172 inmates were transported for medical treatment outside of the facility.

Educational and Rehabilitative Programs

The year 2008 was a busy year for Inmate Program and Reentry Staff as new program initiatives were introduced and other programs were expanded or improved.

Within the limits of safe and secure detention, Inmate Programs and Reentry Staff offers inmates opportunities for moral rehabilitation and improved academic and social skills. The objective was to provide a sense of hope to inmates that change is possible for them and that they can leave the jail better prepared for success. These programs were made possible with the support of Sheriff Curran.



2007 – 2008 STATISTICS

Total Incidents

Total Incidents includes all calls for service received by the Communications Center, as well as, all on-view and self initiated activity by Sheriff's Office Personnel.

	2007	2008
Total Incidents	176,928	198,768

Calls Handled by Dispatch

The Lake County Sheriff's Communications Division is a 24 hour a day, 365 days a year operation staffed by highly trained professionals. The Dispatch Center receives calls from land line phones as well as cellular telephone calls.

	2007	2008
911 Calls	75,748	67,500
Administrative Calls	203,300	214,700

Police Reports

Some Incidents handled by the Sheriff's Office require additional documentation in official police report form. These include reports of crimes, civil disputes, and documentation of information for public safety.

	2007	2008
Offense Reports	18,690	19,493

Crimes Reported

The Lake County Sheriff's Office reports certain crimes to the State of Illinois who then report all Illinois Agency information to the National Crime Information Center. These crime statistics compared to the population of the jurisdiction make up the Crime Index or Crime Rate.

Crime Index Offenses

Year	Year Population	Rate per 100,000	Total Crime Index	Murder	Criminal Sexual Assault	Robbery	Agrvt. Assault/ Battery	Burglary Theft Theft	Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson
2008		1,833.2	2,293	0	09	10	112	576	1,413	114	8
2007	133,289	1,522.3	2,029	1	63	14	106	468	1,227	142	8
%		20.4%	13.0%	-100%	-4.8%	-28.6%	5.7%		15.2%		0.0%
Chg											

Arrest Index Offenses

Year	Population	Rate per 100,000	Total Crime Index	Murder	Criminal Sexual Assault	Robbery	Agrvt. Assault/ Battery	Burglary	Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Arson
2008	125,080	225.5	282	0	17	4	61	41	147	12	0
2007		213.1	284	2	16	11	82	54	110	6	0
% Chg		5.8%	0.7%	-100%	6.3%	-63.6%	-25.6%	-24.1%	33.6%	33.3%	0.0%

Investigative Cases

further leads exist. Cases without further leads are administratively closed, but can be re-opened at any time when new Major cases and unsolved crimes which have pending investigative leads or possible suspect information are assigned to an Investigator in the Criminal Investigations Division. These cases are investigated until an arrest is made, or no information is obtained

	Pending	320	258
	Unfounded	22	27
Refused to	Prosecute	99	52
Closed	Exceptional	388	436
Closed	Administratively	1,172	1,335
Juvenile	Arrests	192	207
Adult	Arrests	216	254
Total	Assigned	2,366	2,569
	Year	2007	2008

Traffic Crash Reports

The Sheriff's Office investigates traffic crashes on the roadways in the unincorporated areas of Lake County as well as the roadways in several contracted villages. Crashes are classified based on the greatest injury to the driver or passengers.

Fatal	17	7
Injury	755	929
Property Damage	4397	4352
Total Crash Reports	5169	5034
Year	2007	2008

Warrants Division

Lake County Circuit Court. Warrants are issued for subjects wanted for violations of State statutes, failing to appear in The Sheriff's Office has the statutory requirement to maintain and enforce criminal warrants directed to them by the court and violations of probation.

Warrants Received 6,897 6,774 6,307 6,574 Self Surendered 449 495 529 595 Warrants Warrants Served 4,088 4,394 3,905 4,750 Total-Warrants On Hand 17,077 17,531 17,940 18,195		2005	2006	2007	2008
449 495 529 2,283 1,431 1,464 4,088 4,394 3,905 17,077 17,531 17,940	Warrants Received	26869	6,774	6,307	6,574
2,283 1,431 1,464 4,088 4,394 3,905 17,077 17,531 17,940	Self Surrendered	449	495	529	595
4,088 4,394 3,905 17,077 17,531 17,940	Warrants	2,283	1,431	1,464	974
4,088 4,394 3,905 17,077 17,531 17,940	Recalled/Quashed				
17,077 17,531 17,940	Warrants Served	4,088	4,394	3,905	4,750
	Total-Warrants On Hand	17,077	17,531	17,940	18,195

Due to numerous innovative programs and organized multi-agency warrants sweeps, the number of warrants served in 2008 was increased dramatically.

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Highway Patrol Citations

unincorporated areas of the county. From these calls for service, directed patrols and on-view enforcement, Traffic and The Sheriff's Office Highway Patrol Division patrols the County's highways and provides police service to the Criminal citations are issued for law violations.

DUI Citations	363	399
Traffic Citations	27,183	30,937
Misdemeanor Citations	1,200	1,271
Felony Citations	293	461
Total Citations	29,039	33,275
Year	2007	2008

Canine Unit Usage

The Sheriff's Office has four Canine Units which are assigned to the Highway Patrol Division and are assigned to basic patrol duties until the need for the canine's service is called upon.

Year	Training Sessions	School Checks	Public Demonstrations	Vehicle Searches	Person Searches	Assist Other Agencies	Building Searches
2007	32	21	11	46	42	6	15
2008	32	21	7	46	42	6	15

Civil Process

Deputies assigned to the Civil Process Division act as the administrative arm of the court to fulfill the Sheriff's statutory responsibilities to serve all civil papers directed to him.

Standard Service	2005	2006	2007	2008
Lake County Court Papers	9,272	925,6	10,185	10,168
Foreign Papers	4,089	269'E	3,615	3,772
Attachment For Contempt Orders	347	968	331	409
Evictions	1,239	1,300	1,450	1,550
Personal Property Levy/Replevin	34	39	56	34
Mortgage Foreclosure & Real Estate Levy Sales	16	32	31	32
Total – Standard Service	14,997	15,040	15,668	15,965

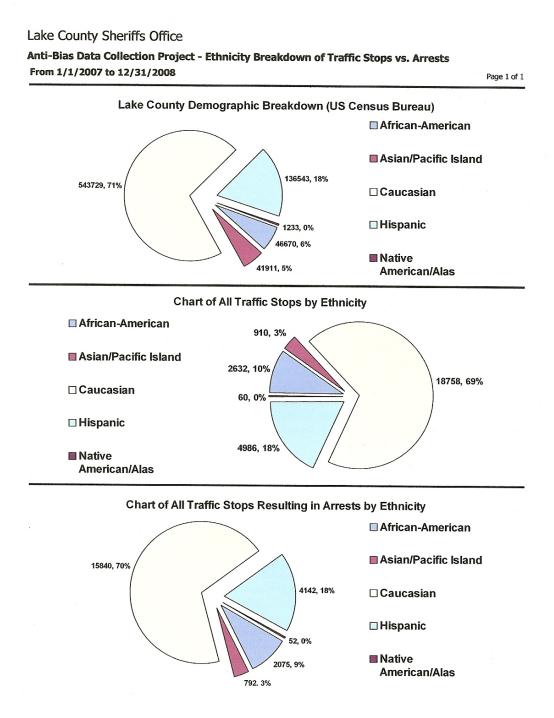
States Attorney Subpoenas	2005	2006	2007	2008
Witness/Record Subpoenas	11,512	9,505	7,202	7,876
Officer Subpoenas	11,825	10,614	7,561	4,673
Total-States Atty. Service	23,337	20,119	14,763	12,549

Corrections

Electronic Monitoring	N.A.	164		Outside Medical Appointments	172
Community Based Corrections	150	93	Prisoner Transports		
General Housing	720	635	Prisoner	Department of Corrections	1,019
	Maximum Capacity	2008 Average Population		Court Appearances	15,950

Anti-Bias Data Collection

In 2003 Illinois Legislature mandated a statewide study of traffic stops for racial bias. The study was initially established for four years, but was later extended to 2010. Information is collected from the traffic stop including the ethnicity of the occupants. The data is analyzed by Northwestern University Center for Public safety and compared to the demographic breakdown of the community in which the Law Enforcement agency serves. The study ensures that the drivers being stopped, arrested and searched are consistent with the make-up of the community.





LAKE COUNTY CRIME STOPPERS

Crime Stoppers is a non-profit organization of citizens against crime. Crime Stoppers offers cash rewards of up to \$1,000 to anyone furnishing anonymous information that leads to the arrest of criminals, including those committing serious felony crimes and fugitives. Information is received through anonymous Crime Stoppers tips that are received through a secure tips line manned by a professional program coordinator.

Crime Stoppers is based on the principal that "Someone other than the criminal has information that can solve a crime" and was created to combat the three major problems faced by law enforcement in generation that information:

- Fear of REPRISAL
- An attitude of APATHY
- Reluctance to get INVOLVED

Crime Stoppers is a partnership between the Community, the Media and Law Enforcement.

Since the inception of this program in April of 1983, tips received through Crime Stoppers have resulted in the arrest of 5,404 offenders, recovering property worth \$4,201,146 and drug seizures totaling \$17,952,465.

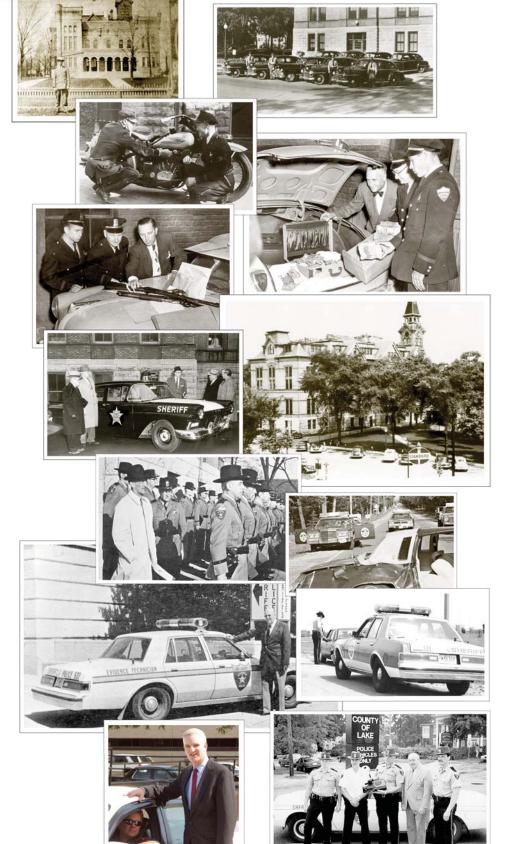
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1837 Henry B. Steele 1840 Lansing B. Nichols 1842 James McKay 1847 Henry W. Dorsett 1850 Lyman Spague 1852 Augustus Granger 1854 John F. Guyles 1856 Parnell Munson 1858 John G. Ragan 1860 Ichabod Simmons 1862 Patrick A. Brown 1864 Orson H. Heath 1866 Reuben S. Botsford 1868 George H. Barlett 1874 Chauncey G. Buell 1876 John W. Swanbrough 1886 Chase E. Webb 1890 Albert F. Conrad 1894 George H. Brown 1898 Elvin D. Powell 1902 George D. Powell 1908 Elvin J. Griffen 1910 Elvin J. Griffen 1919 Elmer J. Green 1922 Edwin Ahlstrom 1927 Lawrence A. Doolittle 1931 Lester Tiffany 1935 Lawrence A. Doolittle 1939 Thomas E. Kennedy 1943 Walter L. Atkinson 1949 Stanley M. Christian 1959 Morris C. Froelich 1963 Charles E. Larson 1967 Harold Scheskie 1971 Orville P. Clavey 1975 E.J. LaMagdeleine 1979 Tom Brown



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